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SUBJECT : REGIONAL POLLUTION/ENVIRONMENT CONFERENCE

REFS : KUWAIT 1359 (NOTAL) AND PREVIOUS

1. ACCORDING TO THE UNEP OFFICER WHO HAS WORKING RESPONSIBILITY
FOR BOTH THE PROPOSED CONFERENCES (JUNE AND OCTOBER),
TENTATIVE PLANS ARE AS FOLLOWS. JUNE 6-16 WILL SEE A MEETING
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OF BOTH LEGAL AND TECHNICAL EXPERTS (REF MANAMA 352) FROM
ALL PARTICIPATING STATES (WHICH INCLUDES ALL THE LITTORALS OF
PERSIAN GULF). ABU DHABI HAD BEEN APPROACHED TO HOST CON-
FERENCE BUT HAS DECLINED; UNEP IS NOW APPROACHING BAHRAIN TO
ACT AGAIN AS HOST TO CONFERENCE AND EXPECTS FAVORABLE RESPONSE.

2. ASSUMING SUCCESSFUL JUNE AGREEMENT, MINISTERS WILL BE

CONVOKED IN OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 1977 TO SIGN FORMAL DOCUMENT WHICH WILL ESTABLISH PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS DESIGNED "TO PROTECT THE GULF" FROM POLLUTION. AS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENT, IT WILL DEPEND ON SEPARATE ACTIONS OF EACH SIGNATORY ALTHOUGH UNEP IS HOPEFUL, AND HAS TRIED TO INCLUDE IN DRAFT, THAT STATES WILL AGREE TO SET UP A "COORDINATING COMMITTEE" TO OVERSEE IMPLEMENTATION. GENERAL DRAFT OUTLINE AS IT PRESENTLY EXISTS IS BASED ON UNEP/IMCO MODEL MEDITERRANEAN STATES RECENTLY SIGNED.

3. POLITICO-LINGUISTIC NOTE: UNEP THINKS IT HAS MANAGED TO AVOID TERMINOLOGICAL CONTROVERSY OVER NAME OF BODY OF WATER VARIOUSLY REFERRED TO AS PERSIAN OR ARABIAN GULF, WHICH CONTROVERSY REGULARLY DERAILS REGIONAL COOPERATION BEFORE IT BEGINS, BY SIMPLE STRATEGEM. IN THE DRAFT DOCUMENT THE BODY IS REFERRED TO ONLY AS "THE SEA WHICH IS SURROUNDED BY" ... AND THEN LISTS ALL THE LITTORALS. THE WORD "GULF" WHETHER OF PERSIAN OR ARABIAN ANTECEDENTS HAS BEEN DROPPED. CLUVERIUS

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